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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director

FROM: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Computerization

- 1. Some weeks ago, I was concerned with the problems we were having with the breakdown of the WANGs to the extent that I called Dr. Wang to have him straighten it out and he sent a team out to look into it. I am concerned that there are more fundamental problems in the way we have been approaching computerization, particularly with each Directorate selecting its own system. This results is a DI analyst being unable to communicate through his terminal with a DO reports officer, data bases which cannot be used interchangeably with different terminals and in connection with one another, inability to use Community data bases on-line in other than the originating agencies, etc.
- 2. I'd like to understand the role of the information handling architect, the Information Handling Committee, the data processing unit in DIA, and their respective effectiveness. Above all, where and how should we be going from here. I'd like to work out a comprehensive and speedy method of assessing this and charting directions. As a first step, we should make sure that senior management is on top of this problem and prepared to develop a coordinated strategy and head the Agency as a whole in a new direction, while taking into account the specialized needs of each component.
- " 3. One reason for addressing this promptly is the large investment that the new building will require in additional and relocated communications and computer commitments.

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